

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF JANUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE A.GOPAL REDDY

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WRIT PETITION NO : 19 of 2005

Between:

- 1 Radha Krishna Picture Palace, Nidadavole, rep., by its Manager M.Hanumantha Rao, s/o Veerabhadrarao,
- 2 Sri Kanaka Durga Theatre, Narasapuram, rep., by its Managing Partner M.V.Narasimha Rao, s/o Venkataraju
- 3 Sri Ambica, A/c.Theatre, Eluru, rep., by its Manager V.Venkateswarao, s/o Ramarao,
- 4 Theatre Soubhagya, Jangareddygudem, rep., by its Partner K.Murali, s/o Venkataraoagaru,
- 5 Theatre Sri Balaji, A/c.Eluru rep., by its Managing Partner Sri V.V.Balakrishnarao, s/o Punnaiah,
- 6 Sai Balaji A/c.Theatre, Eluru rep., by its Managing Partner, Sri V.V.Balakrishnarao, s/o Pullaiah,
- 7 Srinivasa delux Theatre, Palakollu rep., by its Managing Partner G.Ganesh, s/o Suryarao,
- 8 Srinivasa Mini A/c.Theatre, Palakollu rep., by its Manager, G.Ganesh, s/o Surya Rao,
- 9 Sri Lakshmi Panduranga A/c.Theatre, Tadevalligudem, rep., by its Managing Partner V.V.Raghavulu,
- 10 Satyanarayana Theatre, Bhimavaram, rep., by its Managing Partner T.Ramarao, s/o Lakshmaiah,
- 11 Vijayalakshmi A/c.Theatre, Bhimavaram rep., by its Proprietor, Amarlala, s/o Dhanalal,
- 12 Ratna Mini A/c.Theatre, Chintalapudi rep., by its Managing Partner J.Jawahar, s/o Narasimharao
- 13 Lakshmi Mayuri Theatre, T.P.Gudem, West Godavari Dist., rep., by its Manager K.Prasada Rao, s/o Tataji,
- 14 Sri Ramanadh A/c.Theatre, Devarapalli rep., by Managing Partner Prabhakarao, s/o Nageswararao,
- 15 Sri Venkateswara Theatre, Nidadavolu rep., by its Manager K.S.Rao, s/o

Ramanaiah,

..... PETITIONERS

AND

Joint Collector, West Godavari District at Eluru.

.....RESPONDENT

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ or direction declaring the action of the respondent in not making endorsement in B Form licence of the petitioner theatres for enhancement of admission rates as per the application dated 21-12-2004 as illegal, arbitrary and consequently direct the respondent to permit the petitioners to run their theatres with enhanced rates mentioned in applications of the petitioners dated 21-12-2004.

Counsel for the Petitioners : MRS.G.JAYA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent : GP FOR HOME

The Court, at the stage of admission, made the following :

ORDER:

Petitioners, which are film exhibitors, made a representation to the Licensing Authority, on 21-12-2004, for making an endorsement in B-Form licence of the petitioners-Theatres for enhancement of admission rates. Alleging that the licensing authority has not disposed of the said representation, the petitioners filed the present writ petition.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and learned Government Pleader for Home.

Since the petitioners have already filed a representation for consideration of their request before the Licensing Authority, I deem it appropriate to direct the Licensing

Authority to dispose of the said representation, dated 21-12-2004, as expeditiously as possible, within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

With the above observation, the writ petition is disposed of. No order as to costs.

(A.GOPAL REDDY,J)

Date: 05.01.2005

Note:

Issue operative portion

by wire at party's costs.

(B/o) ts/gj

To

1. Joint Collector, West Godavari District at Eluru.

2. Two C.Cs. to the Government Pleader for Home, High Court of A.P., Hyderabad. (OUT)

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